

RAIN FAILS TO CHECK DISTRICT RECRUITING

Commissioner Newman to Join Officers' Reserve Corps.

Rain failed to check recruiting activities yesterday. Although the actual number of enlistments was not above normal, many applicants stopped in at the recruiting stations to "talk it over." One of the surprises of the day was the announcement by Oliver P. Newman, president of the Board of District Commissioners of his intention to enter the Officers' Reserve Corps.

Mr. Newman, if accepted for active service, will resign the commission. He passed physical examinations at Fort Meyer yesterday and will probably enter the officers' training camp there about May 15.

Orders given yesterday to the First Company, Coast Artillery, District National Guard, to go into camp at Congress Heights next Monday for a week's rifle practice, foreboding the calling out within a short time of the entire National Guard, many guard officers believed.

Officers of the Coast Artillery Company, following the week's training at Congress Heights, expect orders to proceed to Fort Howard, Md., where they may get practice with the big 12-inch guns there.

OLIVER P. NEWMAN, president Board of District Commissioners, who enlisted in the Officers' Reserve Corps yesterday.



"HOE BEHIND THE FLAG" SLOGAN BEING SPREAD

Woodcraft League of America Backs Potato Planting Movement.

With the slogan of "The Hoe Behind the Flag," the following circular letter has been sent broadcast throughout the country by the Woodcraft League of America in the interest of increase of food production that will be necessary during the period of war:

"Dear Friend: The Potato Club idea, originated by the Woodcraft League of America at the outbreak of our war with Germany, is spreading with astonishing rapidity throughout the nation. Our officers are filled with extra claret working over hours to supply the demand from thousands of inquirers for plans of organization, directions for planting and caring for potatoes and for free seed potatoes. We are meeting with the most splendid cooperation from government, superintendents of schools and others interested in the food question.

"I am calling this matter to your attention in the hope that you may assist in this great work of preparing to combat with the food shortage of the coming year. We are greatly in need of funds to meet these pressing routine expenses to help enthusiastic young patriots to avoid disastrous mistakes and do their 'bit' of plying 'The Hoe Behind the Flag.'"

"A membership in the Woodcraft League, or a contribution of any sum would be very acceptable, and extremely encouraging at this time."

RED CROSS CHAPTERS DOUBLED IN NUMBER

War Inspiration Cause—More in One Month Than Total Last July.

As a result of war-inspired patriotism, the number of Red Cross chapters in the United States has more than doubled in the last three months, according to the announcement made yesterday by the headquarters of the national organization here.

More new chapters were formed in April alone than existed in the whole country last July. Twenty-six chapters were organized in the month of February, seventy-four in March, while April surpassed all records with 190 new chapters, a 51 per cent increase. This brings the total number of chapters to 562, as against 272 at the first of the year. Requests for chapters have come from every part of the country, and from Alaska, Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines.

WOULD DISCREDIT U. S. ENVOYS.

New York, May 4.—J. C. Phelps Stokes, millionaire socialist leader, charged this afternoon that pro-German socialists in this country are trying to discredit the American mission to Russia.

Stokes said the pro-German socialists hope to bring the American mission into ill-repute so that it cannot interfere with a separate peace between Russia and Germany.

POWDER BLASTS KILL 51.

Berne, May 4.—Blasts in German powder factories at Puth killed 51 persons, according to advices reaching here today. Another blast at Troisdorf killed thirty.

One of the objects of an Australian Antarctic expedition will be the establishment of a meteorological station to give warnings by wireless of the severe storms which sweep far Southern oceans.

URGENT CALL ISSUED FOR RED CROSS FUND

District Leaders Ask All to Keep Up Record of Local Contributions.

An urgent request was made yesterday by the District Chapter of the American Red Cross, that all persons in Washington contribute at once. Expecting an early request from the National Red Cross organization for a large part of the war service now in hand, to be followed by other requests from time to time during the war, it will be necessary for Washington to give twice as much as it already has subscribed to the fund in order to meet its share of the service of our soldiers and sailors and dependents.

"While Washington made a splendid beginning," said Chairman Macfarland, "and that is gratifying that the local chapter was the first to begin a war service fund, and therefore the first ready to respond, the campaign must go on until everyone has had a chance to contribute, and we need many more large gifts, as well as the small."

As many do not know how to send subscriptions, the finance committee announces they should be sent to Mr. Macfarland, chairman of this committee, Evans Building, to be forwarded to the national headquarters, or to any bank or newspaper, or to Red Cross Headquarters, 1801 Massachusetts avenue.

The first executive department to report was the employees of the Department of Agriculture, which sent in as their first contribution, \$502.80.

Contributions of Day.

Contributions recorded yesterday were: Employees of the Department of Agriculture, \$502.80; Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Saul, \$250; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Latimer, \$100; Justice Joseph A. Van Orsdel, \$25; E. B. Grandin, \$50; B. H. Gruver, \$10; a friend, \$15; Clifford D. Maxwell, \$1 a month; Annie M. Cocks, \$2; Elizabeth H. Ames, \$1; Robert Nicholson, \$5; cash, \$25; Hotel Powhatan, \$50; Miss Emily C. Matthews, \$5; Sylvanus Stokes, Jr., \$100; Edward Collins, Jr., \$10; Anna E. Richards, \$1; Mr. and Mrs. A. Hankey, \$2; Clarence W. Grier, \$50; William E. Horton, \$5; W. C. and A. N. Miller, \$10; J. O. Spangler, \$10; William Ballantyne and Sons, \$50.

Through W. W. Bowie—second collection total \$10,000, follows: George H. Ginkel, \$15; Charles T. Graves, \$12; Julian B. Wright, \$6; John T. Wright, \$12; R. H. T., \$12; Murphy and Ames, \$10; J. J. Hooper, \$10; John M. Beavers, \$10; Browning and Minton, Inc., \$10; Yost and Herrell, Inc., \$10; H. J. Gicla, \$5; Capital Refining Co., \$5; L. W. Curdick, \$5; J. E. Dyer, \$5; Hires Turner Glass Co., \$5; W. Marion Sutton, \$2; Thomas J. Crach, \$2; Capital Liquor Co., \$5; Columbia Oil Co., Inc., \$5; Penn Oil Co., \$5; Roslyn Milling Co., \$2; William Lee, \$5; Edward Smith, \$1; J. G. Dement, \$1; National City Dairy Co., \$1; cash, \$1; cash, \$1; J. M. Webb, \$1; T. M. Gibba, Jr., \$1; G. K. Frederick, \$1; John L. Coker, \$1; H. M. Wells, \$1; J. P. Clancy, \$1; W. T. Platz, \$1; E. L. Smith, \$1; W. H. Proctor, \$1; P. K. Harvey, \$1; J. W. Shaver, \$1; H. Ware, \$1; M. G. Ware, \$1; W. J. Lee, \$1; Fred P. Haas, \$1; W. L. Plowman, \$1; Fred Hoffman, \$1; Currie, \$1; J. R. Buscher, \$1; H. H. Moore, \$1; R. E. Beck, \$1; R. S. Price, \$1; J. F. Eastover, \$1; J. C. Gibbs, \$1; A. G. Jackson, \$1; J. C. Peverell, \$1; K. A. Landis, \$1; L. E. Kupper, \$1; J. A. Baumgarten, \$2; cash, \$150; Frank Cross, \$25; M. J. Falvey, \$5; Ethel E. Leonard, \$25; W. H. Burton, \$25; A. Mulealey, \$25; R. P. Hungerford, \$25; E. T. Naughten, \$25; R. L. Taylor, \$25; S. A. Snyder, \$25; E. T. Owens, \$25; W. H. Clark, \$25; R. E. Sohn, \$25; H. A. Kahler, \$25; J. S. Eaton, \$25; L. L. Smith, \$25; R. L. Vernon, \$25; E. M. H., \$25; H. V. Griffith, \$25; E. M. Bauer, \$25; B. Holbrook, \$25; M. Miller, \$25; F. Fielding, \$25; N. P. Allen, \$25; B. Well, \$25; D. Mann, \$25; B. E. Chambers, \$25; P. F. Shumate, \$25; G. M. Leuna, \$25; cash, \$25.

VENIZELLOS LAUDS LOCAL GREEKS' PATRIOTISM

J. Vakratsas, president of the Greek Liberals, of this city, has just received from Venizelos, the Greek leader of the Liberal party, a patriotic message "encouraging the Greeks of America to support American democratic ideals as symbolized by the Star Spangled Banner."

"I congratulate you," Venizelos' message reads, "on your resolve to devote all your strength to the noble task undertaken by the United States."

"In your distinguished President's stirring and inspiring declaration, defining America's aims in the war, the Star Spangled Banner has become the symbol of humanity's purest ideal. Devotion to such a cause is henceforth the duty and privilege of every free man."

HONOR BARD OF AVON.

London, May 4.—Despite the serious war time, Shakespeare Day was observed yesterday throughout the British Isles. A dispatch from Paris said it was observed in France likewise.

ROLL OF HONOR

ARMY ENLISTMENTS.
Loria A. Marker, 710 A street northeast.
Morton A. Anderson, 1005 Twenty-sixth street northwest.

ARMY APPLICATIONS
Walter Cole, 506 East Capitol street.

James J. Winn, Clayton, Ala.
Julia B. Allen, Waxahatchie, Tex.

NAVY ENLISTMENTS.
Donald Rippey, Vienna, Va.

MARINE CORPS ENLISTMENTS.
James E. Blount, 653 Forsythe street, Macon, Ga.
Thomas A. Thighe, 1816 Thirtieth street northwest.

THIRD REGIMENT, D. C. N. G.
Bernard L. Wamsall, 1317 H street northeast.

Frank J. McAndrew, 1913 C street northeast.

Edward M. Dymoke, Lincolnshire, England.

FIRST COMPANY, COAST ARTILLERY, D. C. N. G.

Thomas C. Williams, 73 New York avenue northeast.

Timothy W. Gales, 153 Sixth street southwest.

C. Wells Herbert, 2512 Fourteenth street northwest.

Michael J. Lyons, 1325 Massachusetts avenue northwest.

Farnam R. Miller, 1142 Thirtieth street.

George W. Giovannetti, 1736 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

TROOP B, D. C. N. G.
William Keely, 602 Rock Creek church road.

W. L. Jones, 704 Rock Creek road.

E. B. Dean, Raleigh Hotel.

Preston N. Donnelly, 1208 K street northeast.

Ralph House, Washington, D. C.

Women Discuss Means Of Practical War Aid

The practical way by which women may secure employment through the medium of information bureaus established for that purpose was discussed by Miss

GOLD SEAL Champagne

A wine of the highest quality

L. Obermaier, representative of the National Defense League, at a meeting of the Women's Federated Council on Employment, of the District of Columbia, held at the Public Library yesterday afternoon.

The council, which is co-operating with the women's and girls' division of the Department of Labor and the Immigration

Bureau, passed resolutions pledging each member of women's clubs and societies represented, to volunteer for service in any department to which her capabilities entitle her.

That charitable organizations be requested to file the names of such persons whom they believe capable of performing services in case of national need

was approved. Mrs. Court F. Wood, president of the Federation of Women's Clubs, presided.

An Englishman has invented a process for treating woolen hosiery though too long and strong for anything but worsteds, so that they can be used in finer textiles.



RECALL that golden day when you first read "Huck Finn"? How your mother said, "For goodness sake, stop laughing aloud over that book. You sound so

silky." But you couldn't stop laughing. To-day when you read "Huckleberry Finn" you will not laugh so much. You will chuckle often, but you will also

want to weep. The deep humanity of it—the pathos, that you never saw, as a boy, will appeal to you now. You were too busy laughing to notice the limpidity of the master's style.

MARK TWAIN

A Real American

Mark Twain was a steamboat pilot. He was a wanderer for gold in the far west. He was a printer. He worked latterly hard. All this without a glimmer of the great destiny that lay before him.

Then, with the opening of the great wide West, his genius bloomed.

His fame spread through the nation. It flew to the ends of the earth, until his work was translated into strange tongues. From then on, the path of fame lay straight to the high places. At the height of his fame he lost all his money. He was heavily in debt, but though 60 years old, he started afresh and paid every cent. It was the last time he touched that drew him close to the hearts of his countrymen.

The world has asked: Is there an American literature? Mark Twain is the answer. He is the heart, the spirit of America. From his poor and struggling boyhood to his glorious old age, he remained as simple, as democratic as the plains of our forefathers.

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SOCIETY FOR LEPERS HOLD MEETING HERE

Urge Fund of \$2,000 for Memorial Cottage in Siam.

The Washington City Woman's Auxiliary, representing eighteen denominations in the District who would aid the lepers of India, held a meeting in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Eleventh and H streets northwest, yesterday afternoon.

The president, Mrs. John Newton Culbertson, told of the work being done by the missionary societies of other cities, and emphasized the results accomplished by the Woman's Interdenominational Missionary Union of the District of Columbia, which has auspices the auxiliary meeting was held.

The offerings contributed by the various churches and individuals to establish a Bertha G. Johnson Memorial Cottage for leper women in Chung Mat, Siam, were reported and it is the desire of the Ladies' Auxiliary to raise \$2,000 before the next meeting in December.

W. M. Danner, chairman of the American committee of the mission, started the movement some years ago and the churches throughout the country have taken up the work.

Burglars Busy While Dancers Make Merry

While couples were swaying to the rhythm of dance music Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Aredek, 323 Twenty-fifth street northwest, burglars gained entrance through a rear window and ransacked the unused portion of the dwelling. They secured several articles of jewelry. The matter was reported to the police yesterday.

Ready Reference Telephone Directory

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MACHEN AUDIT COMPANY, Public Accountants, 644 Southern Bldg. Phone Main 272.

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J. SALE POSTON, INC., 1001 Bldg. Phone Main 100.

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BRENTANO'S, 120 F st. n.w. Phone Main 951.

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FRANCIS DONOVAN, 224 1st st. n.w. Phone Main 951.

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E. F. BICKERTON, 225 14th st. n.w. Phone Main 770.

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DUPARQUET, HUOT & MONROE CO., I. C. Goodford, Manager, 122 H st. n.w. Phone Main 62.

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FEDERAL TAXICAB COMPANY, 22 14th st. n.w. Phone Main 800.

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ACME WINDOW CLEANING CO., 512 H st. n.w. Phone Main 726.

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M. MORRIS, 225 M st. n.w. Phone Main 125.

M. V. MORAN, 225 M st. n.w. Phone Main 125.

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How the Kaiser United the World Against Germany

The Kaiser's eligibility for the Nobel peace-prize occurs to one editor as he contemplates the burning away of old distrusts and hatreds among the once hostile peoples now banded together in a spiritual as well as a military alliance against the Central Powers. England and France forgot their ancient feuds, England and Russia their territorial jealousies, Russia and Japan their quarrels in Asia, while the United States, brushing aside old wrongs and recent suspicions, steps into line beside England and Japan in the great alliance whose dominant purpose is to make the world "safe for democracy."

As visible symbols of this new spirit of international brotherhood among former foes, he sees the flags of the Allies flying side by side in the various capitals, and the Stars and Stripes beside the Union Jack above the Parliament Buildings at Ottawa and Westminster, where no foreign flag was ever before unfurled.

In THE LITERARY DIGEST for May 5th the feature-article presents the consensus of American public opinion upon the visit of the British and French Commissions and the far-reaching results which the conferences at Washington will develop.

In addition to this complete description of one of the greatest events that has taken place in the history of the United States, and of the world, other articles that should be read in this number are:

Should the Government Fix Prices For Food?

The Arguments For and Against Such Regulation.

America's First Shot in the War Sense and Censorship

No Separate Peace for Russia

Japan's New Chinese Policy

The Value of Ford Tests Doubted

"U"-Boat Chasers for the Navy

Safety First in Movie Lessons

Germany Poisoning French Letters

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